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► Team Russia celebrates as Canada goalie Mark Visentin looks on during the World Junior Hockey Championship semifinal in Calgary. Team Russia won 6-5. Story, page 12.

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Heartbreak for Team Canada

Drivers are turning back to old habits, Calgary police say

- Additional distracted-driving blitzes could be coming in February
- Motorists report 'inconsistent' enforcement of new law: AMA

Put the phone away, playtime's over.

That's the message from Calgary police, who are witnessing more and more drivers turning back to dangerous habits behind the wheel — namely, talking or texting on their cellphones.

"What I'm seeing is (texting) at the red lights," said Const. Jim Lebedeff. "People are looking down. I don't know too many people who stare at their crotches while they drive."

Handheld usage behind the wheel became scarce during what Lebedeff calls the "big push" following the introduction of Alberta's distracted-driving legislation on Sept. 1.

Through three months of enforcing the new law, Calgary police doled out about 950 tickets — that number could rise slightly once final computer data is entered — more than double Edmonton's citation count.

But critics were quick to point out the number of tickets issued provincewide falls short of the pace set by provinces like British Columbia and Ontario, both of which introduced similar legislation in 2010 and 2009.

"If you go out there you could probably find more than they (police) got," said Louis Francescutti, founder of the Alberta-based Coalition for Cellphone-Free Driving, which has pushed for a ban of both hand-held and hands-free devices in vehicles.

Don Szarko, spokesperson for the Alberta Motor Association, which supported the new legislation, says his organization has fielded numerous calls from motorists frustrated by "inconsistent" enforcement.

"That's surefire recipe for failure with a new piece of legislation," he said.

Lebedeff said the number of violations was actually higher than

A hefty fine

- Alberta's distracted-driving legislation, introduced in September, allows police to issue a \$172 fine to motorists who text and/or talk on a phone while driving. Other activities, like reading and grooming, can earn the fine, too.
- On the higher enforcement end, Ontario issued about 46,000 distracted-driving tickets in 2010. In contrast, Saskatchewan police cited just 1,636 drivers using similar legislation over the same time period.

he would like to see. Most officers rarely issue warnings to violators now — common practice when the law was first introduced — and additional enforcement measures are being considered to coincide with distracted-driving month in February.

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Mobile-home owners face big property value hike

While most Calgary communities will see their assessed property values fluctuate slightly, two mobile-park communities will be hit with a substantial increase in the coming year.

According to the city, about 93 per cent of residential properties' revenue-neutral taxes will be within 10 per cent of last year's taxes. Properties in the mobile-home communities of Greenwood Village and Red Carpet were assessed at \$42,000 for 2012 compared to \$27,000 in 2011.

City assessor Stuart Dalglish said average property value in these changed due to city processes.

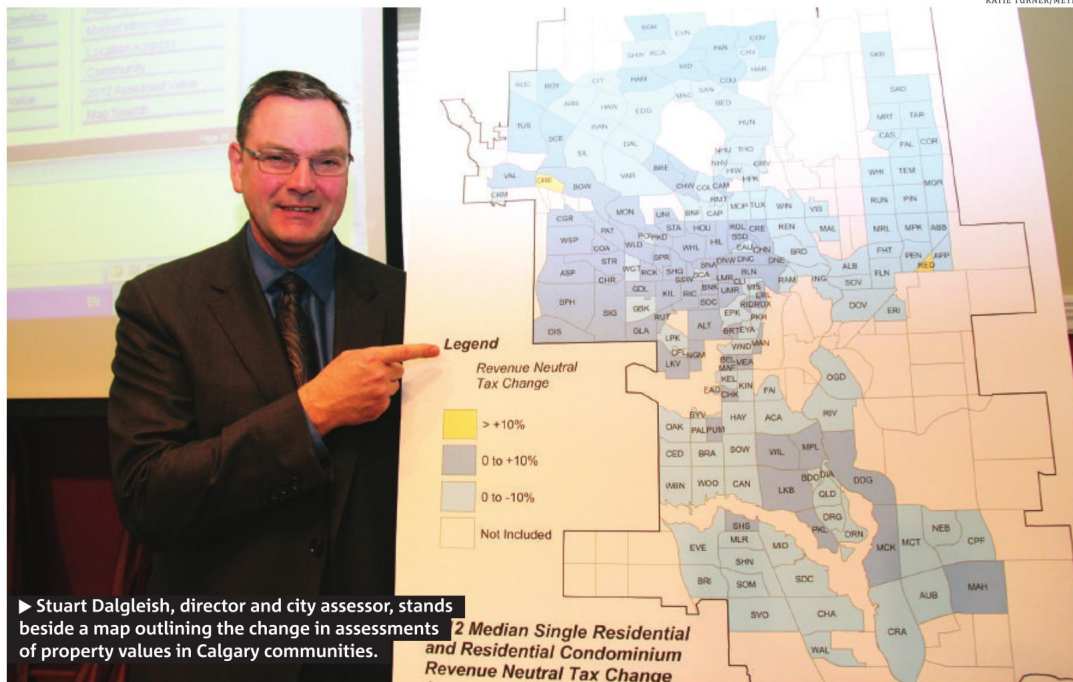
"I think when it came to mobile homes, we recognized that in our processes we needed to have both more information, complete information and improved processes."

Robin Spiers of the Real Estate Professionals said the 2012 values more accurately represent the market value of mobile homes.

"They were probably just undervaluing them before," said Spiers.

Manager of Greenwood Village Melissa Shannon said she expects residents will be surprised when the assessment arrives in the mail.

● KATIE TURNER



► Stuart Dalglish, director and city assessor, stands beside a map outlining the change in assessments of property values in Calgary communities.

Calgary property values drop for 2012

- City released 2012 property-assessment market report Tuesday
- Property assessments have been mailed out



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Residential property values have dropped in the past year by an average of three per cent, according to the city's recently released assessment.

Median assessments for both single residential homes and condos have fallen \$10,000 between 2011 and 2012, bringing the average assessment

value of single residential properties to \$400,000 and condos to \$240,000.

Director and city assessor Stuart Dalglish said the slight decrease in assessed property values is based on market value of a property as of July 1, 2011.

"Probably in the July-August time frame, we already had a sense of where the market had gone over the course of the year," he said. "We

have, I believe, a very stable real estate market and certainly a very healthy real estate market."

To coincide with the mailing out of property assessments, the city has also launched an upgraded assessment-search website, which will allow property owners access to a private account detailing information about their property.

Dalglish suggests Calgarians review their prop-

Value

- There are 432,500 residential property accounts in Calgary with a total assessed value of \$166 billion.
- The customer review period takes place from Jan. 3 to March 5.
- Property taxes are due on June 29.

erty assessment and on-line information. Those with questions can call 403-268-2888.

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North Koreans rally behind new leader

► Kim Jong-un already cultivating a distinct public image

Pumping their fists and chanting, tens of thousands of North Koreans packed the snowy main square of the capital Tuesday to pledge their loyalty to new leader Kim Jong-un as the campaign to consolidate his power deepened.

State television also aired footage of Kim's recent visit to an elite tank unit with family and historical ties that showed him interacting with soldiers with ease and carrying out inspections much like father Kim Jong-il and grandfather Kim il-Sung did before him — footage that aimed to show off his youth and health and put



► Thousands rally in Pyongyang on Tuesday.

his confidence and authority on display.

Kim Jong-il died Dec. 17 of a heart attack, leaving

the nation of 24 million in the hands of his youngest son, who was a mystery even to the North Korean people until his emergence in September 2010 as his father's favoured successor.

Since Kim Jong-un, who is in his late 20s, was made a four-star general and a vice chairman of the Central Military Commission of the Workers' Party, the campaign to groom him has been fast.

North Korea has sought to highlight Kim Jong-un's heritage as heir to North Korea's founding fathers, characterizing him as an "identical" extension of his father. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Body found at royal estate

A murder mystery with elements of an Agatha Christie whodunit is unfolding at the vast country estate where Queen Elizabeth and her family gathered in rural splendor to celebrate Christmas and New Year's.

British police said that a young woman's body was found in the forest at Sandringham and that they are treating it as a murder case.

An autopsy was conducted Tuesday, but the precise cause of death was not disclosed, and investigators have yet to establish the woman's identity.



► Police attend the scene at the Queen's Sandringham estate in Norfolk, England, on Tuesday.

The royal family is not implicated in the crime in any way.

Police said a forensic pathologist found that it was highly unlikely the

death was of natural causes and that there was no evidence of accidental injury. Investigators hoped to use DNA to identify the woman. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Led by the nose? Court ponders drug-dog case

► U.S. Supreme Court asked to decide whether dog's sniff amounts to unconstitutional police search

Franky the drug dog's supersensitive nose is at the heart of a question being put to the U.S. Supreme Court: Does a police dog's sniff outside a house give officers the right to get a search warrant for illegal drugs, or is the sniff an unconstitutional search?

Florida's highest state court has said Franky's ability to detect marijuana growing inside a Miami-area house from outside a closed front door crossed the constitutional line. The state's attorney general is asking the Supreme Court to reverse that ruling.

The judges could decide this month whether to take the case, the latest dispute about whether the use of dogs to find drugs, explosives and other ille-



► Miami-Dade police Det. Douglas Bartelt and Franky give a demo in Miami last month.

monitored by U.S. law-enforcement agencies, which depend on dogs for a wide range of policing duties.

"Dogs can be a police officer's best friend because they detect everything from marijuana or meth labs to explosives," said Kendall Coffey, a Miami lawyer.

The Supreme Court has approved drug-dog sniffs in several other major cases, but those involved dogs that detected drugs in public places. The Florida case is different because it involves a private residence.

The high court has repeatedly said that a home is entitled to greater privacy than cars on the road or a suitcase in an airport.

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gal substances violates the Fourth Amendment protection against illegal search and seizure.

The case, Florida vs. Jardines, is being closely

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Gap between rich and 'us' grows: Report

► By noon on Jan. 3, average top CEO will have made average Canadian's salary ► Execs' salary rose 27% from 2009

The richest of the rich have gained more ground in Canada, and are now making 189 times the average Canadian wage, according to a new report.

The 100 highest paid chief executives whose

companies are listed on the S&P/TSX composite index made an average of \$8.38 million in 2010, according to figures pulled from circulars by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives, a left-leaning think-tank.

That's a 27 per cent raise from the \$6.6 million average compensation for the top 100 CEOs in 2009, the report says.

Meanwhile, regular Canadians, who made an average of \$44,366 working

full time in 2010, have seen their wages stagnate over the past few years. In 2010, after adjusting for inflation, average wages actually fell.

"The gap between Canada's CEO elite 100 and the rest of us is growing at a

fast and steady pace, with no signs of letting up," says economist Hugh Mackenzie, author of the report.

The driving forces behind the inequality gap lie in the structure of compensation packages, Mackenzie

says. Regulating these packages won't really work, Mackenzie adds. Taxation is better allowing corporate boards to compensate as they please, while governments redistribute excesses. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Financial assurance lower with age: Poll

A new CIBC poll shows 64 per cent of Canadians feel positive about their current financial situation, a finding the bank describes as strong, but still five per cent lower than a year ago.

The poll, conducted in mid-November by Harris/Decima, also found that an even higher number of Canadians — 72 per cent — were confident they would reach their future financial goals, unchanged from last year.

Across age groups, confidence in achieving financial goals was generally strong, with a declining trend. Among Canadians aged 18 to 34, 78 per cent said they were confident of reaching their financial goals. While among Canadians aged 55 to 64 only 68 per cent felt their goals were achievable.

By province, those feeling good about meeting goals went from a high of 85 per cent in Alberta to a low of 60 per cent in Quebec. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Chow. Down



► In this picture taken last July, people eat at a popular restaurant sponsored by the Brazilian government in Sao Paulo.

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A move towards zero hunger

Jose Graziano da Silva, the new director-general of the UN food and agriculture organization, is one of the creators of Brazil's Zero Hunger social programs, which give money directly to poor households. That same idea may now get a global tryout.

News in brief

Murdoch's wife's tweets just a hoax

TWITTER. A Twitter account purported to be linked to the wife of media mogul Rupert Murdoch has turned out to be bogus.

Twitter spokeswoman Rachel Bremer said Tuesday that the site "mistakenly verified" the @Wendi-Deng account as genuine. She said the company apologizes for the confusion. Twitter would not discuss its verification procedures, which are put in place to prevent hoaxes. Meanwhile, News International said while the account was fake, the Twitter account opened over the New Year's weekend by News Corp. chief Rupert Murdoch was genuine. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

RIM board may get new chair

RESTRUCTURING. Research in Motion shares soared Tuesday amid reports of a possible boardroom shakeup that investors hoped could lead to a turnaround or sale of the beleaguered BlackBerry maker.

News reports say Mike Lazaridis and Jim Balsillie are considering relinquishing their titles as co-chairmen of the RIM board. The two also run the company as co-CEOs.

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HEY BILL, WHAT'S YOUR BEEF?

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hanging on the wall and replaces it with one of those funhouse mirrors that make you look fatter than you really are. I'm not making this up. And, to be clear, it has nothing to do with Christmas cake.

I don't know who these people are or why this is their idea of a good time. All I know is that I have to go on a diet every year so I don't have to go naked. Which, if the funhouse mirror is any indication, would not be pretty.

There was a time "going on a diet" was simple and involved cottage cheese. Then that wasn't good enough and you had to have non-fat cottage cheese. Now, according to the latest nutritional science, cottage cheese is a no-no, as dairy products are linked to cancer, heart disease, irritable bowel syndrome and Dutch elm disease.

"The head of the Harvard School of Public Health says it's 'udderly ridiculous' for the USDA Food Pyramid to recommend three glasses of milk a day."

Don't take my word for it. The head of the Harvard School of Public Health says it's "udderly ridiculous" for the USDA Food Pyramid to recommend three glasses of milk a day, and more than implies that the new improved Pyramid, revised just last year, is as much a result of intense lobbying by the National Dairy Council and other food pressure groups as it is a product of nutrition science.

These guys play for keeps. Who can forget that the beef industry sued Oprah when she announced she was giving up red meat because it's bad for you (not to mention what it does to the cow)? And when they're not trying to herd Oprah, they're trying to get ketchup and fries declared daily servings of fruits and vegetables.

So if you can't trust the Food Pyramid, who can you trust? These days, if you believe nutritional gurus such as Michael Pollan ("Eat Food. Not too much. Mostly plants.") it's not enough to watch the cupcakes for a few weeks, you have to be born again, with vegetables.

The poster boy for the lifelong-mostly-plants-no-cheating-no-fun diet is none other than good old Bill Clinton who never met a Krispy Kreme or an intern he didn't like. Until he had heart-bypass surgery.

Have you seen him lately? America's First Vegan has come out the other side of the funhouse mirror and looks more like Lance Armstrong than the Pillsbury Doughboy.

If Bill Clinton can change his evil ways, anyone can.

So hallelujah and pass the garbanzos. These are gonna be my salad days, whether I like it or not.

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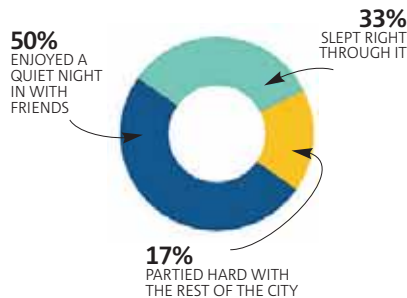
It happens every year about this time.

When I'm asleep, someone sneaks into the bedroom and switches all my clothes for a size smaller, then removes the perfectly good mirror



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On New Year's Eve, you ...



Local tweets



- ▶ @stephanieeLm: this nice winter weather is starting to scare me, plus 14?!?
- ▶ @BrennaLeighW: #World-Juniors Feverrrrr. #Team-Canada is finally in #yyc @HC_WJC
- ▶ @LauraVezer: #YYC is really putting on the sunshine today! Love that I'm riding my bike into work in January! Let's keep this 'winter' going :)
- ▶ @PlaysNotSoGood: Hey Calgary Drivers, is there something wrong with your turn signals? Was your NYs resolution not to use them? #yyc #traffic
- ▶ @bzaitsoff: Cheer on Team Canada as they take on Russia tonight at the Dome #WJHC2012 #YYC
- ▶ @benrankel: The problem with mild temps in #yyc is that all Calgarians know it can't last. We're just waiting for winter's inevitable kick to the face.
- ▶ @ShannonMac: Mr. Bus Driver, please turn off the heat. It's warm outside, we don't need the heat on full blast. Wait until its cold please. #yyc

Daily Zoom

Buried alive



This cat really does have 9 lives

Janita Coombs plays with her cat, Andrea, at her Syracuse, Utah, home in the above photo.

The Utah city may put an end to its gas chamber after Andrea survived a shelter's two attempts to euthanize her. Animal-shelter volunteers were expected to appear at a West Valley City Council meeting Tuesday evening

to make the case for using lethal injections instead. Andrea had not been adopted for 30 days when shelter officials tried to put her to death in October.

She survived, so they gassed her again.

Shelter officials presumed she was dead when they put her in a plastic bag in a cooler.

She was later found alive.

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"It was just one of those things where they thought this cat obviously really wants to live.... Let's give it a chance to find a permanent home."

WEST VALLEY CITY SPOKESMAN
AARON CRIM TOLD THE SALT LAKE TRIBUNE

A will to live

Shelter officials still aren't sure why the gassing failed to kill Andrea. The other cats with her in the euthanasia chamber that day all died.

Volunteers say euthanasia by lethal injections of sodium pentobarbital would be more humane than the gas chamber, and also cheaper.

2 scene

Idol



American Idol finalist James Durbin has married longtime girlfriend Heidi Lowe in a New Year's Eve ceremony at the edge of a California redwood forest.

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Tim McGraw album "Emotional Traffic," at centre of recent court battle, to be released Jan. 24

Bringing hellfire back

► The Devil Inside is a return to classic possession movies ► Joins long line of spook shows

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Demonic possession has been terrifying moviegoers for decades.

The Exorcist, the most famous fiendish film, created such a stir with audiences that in 1973 Newsweek ran a cover story entitled The Exorcism Frenzy. Complete with stories of queasy theatre-goers and their Exorcist barf bags, it helped create hysteria and make the movie one of the biggest hits of the year.

The impact *The Exorcist* had on audiences has yet to be duplicated by any of the dozens of possession movies released in its wake, but this weekend's *The Devil Inside* is hoping to bring a little good old-fashioned hellfire back to theatres.

The devil, of course, is the star of any possession movie, even if you don't actually see him. What's more petrifying than the idea of Old Scratch taking over your body and mak-

ing your head spin 360 degrees?

But what about the brave priests who battle Beelzebub? Here's a few cinematic celebrants who have gone mano-a-mano with Mephistopheles.

Father Lankester Merrin, as portrayed by Max von Sydow in *The Exorcist*, presided over the most famous Satan skirmish.

The statuesque Swedish actor played Merrin twice — he's seen in flashbacks in *Exorcist II: The Heretic*

— while Stellan Skarsgård played him in two prequels.

The loopyest of devil hunters must be Father Pierre Barre (Michael Gothard) from the Ken Russell film *The Devils*. He is a corrupt and despicable holy man who convinces a group of terrified nuns to fake a mass possession with the words, "You will scream! You will blaspheme!" His other questionable methods include "forcible colonic irriga-

tion" with holy water and torture.

Barre isn't the only real-life exorcist to be portrayed on film, however. Both *The Rite*, starring Anthony Hopkins as a real-life exorcist tutor and *The Exorcism of Emily Rose* with Tom Wilkinson as a priest accused of murder when a young woman died during an exorcism, are based on true stories.

More fanciful is Leslie Nielsen as Father Mayii in *Repossessed*, an Exorcist

parody co-starring Linda Blair, who played the possessee in the original film. When told she "has an ungodly voice and maniacal facial expressions" the skeptical Mayii replies, "That doesn't prove a thing! She could be related to Joe Cocker."

And finally, Beetlejuice has a different kind of exorcist. Michael Keaton plays a supernatural character called in as a "bio-exorcist" to rid a house of its human inhabitants.



► Bonnie Morgan plays Rosa in *The Devil Inside*.

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Hefner states the obvious for 2012

► Our boy Hugh takes an oath to avoid the institution of marriage this year
► 85-year-old Playboy founder says he 'missed a bullet' with Crystal Harris

THE WORD

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After a tumultuous 2011 that saw his engagement to Crystal Harris (who I like



► Crystal Harris



► Hugh Hefner

to think of as a very low-rent Kardashian in her media manipulation) fizzle, Hugh Hefner, 85, is vowing to avoid marriage for 2012.

"This year has been a very interesting year for me. I almost got married," Hefner tells People magazine.

"And as Holly [Madison] — a dear friend and former girlfriend — said,

'Well, you missed a bullet.' I think that's accurate. I am clearly not meant to be married. Married life isn't for me."

You'd think the man who is known as an international playboy and has called a mansion filled with frolicking naked women home for most of his life would have figured that out, oh, about 65 years ago.

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Celebrity tweets



The fortune in my fortune cookie said "Character is the cornerstone of success." I think my cookie is stale.



@EllenBarkin

@JonahHill

I'm pretty sure "Extremely Loud And Incredibly Close" is about my Mom.



@SethMacFarlane

By now I bet Demi Moore is getting sick of Patrick Swayze's ghost always trying to contact her.



@rupertmurdoch



NY cold and empty, even central park. Nice!

A little R-E-S-P-E-C-T

Add Aretha Franklin to the growing list of celebrities who used the Christmas and New Year's holidays to get engaged. The Queen of Soul is officially planning to marry Willie Wilkerson, her reps confirm to the Associated Press. "No, I'm not pregnant," 69-year-old Franklin joked. The couple



► Aretha Franklin

plans to marry this summer in Miami Beach, with Wilkerson hosting a reception aboard a private yacht. ● METRO



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Travel in brief



With all the fantastic food on board a first-class cruise ship, it may not be the ideal place to count calories. Only 10 per cent of cruisers worry they will gain weight on their vacation, says the Cruise Lines International Association. In a recent study, more than half of experienced cruisers ranked fine dining as the No. 1 benefit of a cruise vacation, says the association.

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Free ferry service from Galveston may be Lone Star State's best tourist bargain.

A taste of real Mexico

► Beyond the beaches and resorts of Mazatlan lies a world of natural beauty and quaint towns

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Mazatlan, Mexico, is famous for its long-winding Golden Zone,

packed with tourists, resorts, and fantastic beaches, but beyond all the glitter lies a world of adventure rarely seen.

Soon after reaching the outskirts of town I was surprised how different and desolate greater Mazatlan really is when you leave the comfort of the all-inclusive resort.

In the middle of the back country we traded our air conditioned SUV, for roaring bush ATVs, and that's when the fun started. Here is a Mexico rarely seen. Our guide warned us that the trails would be bumpy with a lot of large rocks and potholes.

There are potholes and then there are craters, which I soon found myself roaring through, as we made our way all through the dense jungle-like growth.

I felt privileged to catch a glimpse of the real Mexico, with beautiful scenery, peaceful rivers, and even the odd lazy lizard sunning itself.

As we roared on our trusty quads, we suddenly emerged from the bush to find a great little Mexican village seemingly in the middle of nowhere.

The locals in this town,



► Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Mazatlan is an 1875 church that was restored just a few years ago.

which we learned was called La Noria, couldn't have been more friendly, despite the fact we were invading their space like a group of Hells Angels bikers.

Young and old smiled, waved and even cheered as we roared down the main street.

It was almost like being in a time warp watching

villagers fetching water from a well and tanning leather to make belts. This, in the end, turned out to be well worth the sore back and dusty throat.

Our reward for making it through it all was a whirlwind stop at the Blue Agave distillery.

This, amigos, is where they make the fun juice.

This historic Tequila factory draws mucho tourists who observe the ancient process of making real tequila from the locally grown blue agave plant.

It is strong stuff. And I do mean strong!

Luckily I had a designated driver to take me back to the comfort of the Golden Zone and my cool

Other cool things to do in Mazatlan

► **Check out the downtown history:** Visit the stunning Cathedral Basilica built in 1875. It was restored a few years ago and the interior is nothing short of spectacular. There is a lot of great architecture in this old part of town.

► **Mazatlan Aquarium:** One of the coolest Sea Lion shows you'll ever see, along with tons of exotic creatures including crocodiles, exotic birds and much more. acuariomazatlan.com

► **Estrella Del Mar Golf Course:** Rated one of the best golf courses in Mexico, this course was designed by Robert Trent Jones Jr. and combines great play with breathtaking scenery. estrelladelmar.com

little all inclusive hotel, the El Cid.

I've been pretty much all over Mexico, and can honestly say that Mazatlan ranks among my very favourite spots in this country.

Despite that the area has been given a bit of a bad rap recently with reports of increased gang crime, I felt perfectly safe walking the streets on my way to my favourite watering hole in all of Mexico, Joe's Oyster Bar!

This place is the perfect beachfront venue to cap off a busy day on ATVs in the bush.

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► Coffee lovers are sure to enjoy this decadent lemon-and-coffee cake ► Use coffee in the cake batter and the icing to enhance its flavour ► Enjoy a slice with your favourite brew, a café au lait or a classic Irish coffee



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Lemon-and-Coffee Cake

► This recipe makes 10 to 12 servings.

Preparation:

- 1 Heat oven to 180 C (350 F).
- 2 In a large bowl, cream butter with sugar. Beat in eggs, one at a time, and sour cream with an electric mixer. Stir in milk and set aside.
- 3 In a separate bowl, mix flour with baking powder. Blend into butter mixture gradually, beating until smooth. Add lemon juice and rind. Mix well.
- 4 Pour mixture into a 23-cm (9-inch) buttered round cake pan. Bake for 1 hour.
- 5 Let stand for 10 minutes and remove from pan.
- 6 Spread with Lemon Coffee Icing. Sprinkle cake with chocolate vermicelli to decorate.
- 7 To make Lemon Coffee Icing: Squeeze lemon juice into a small bowl and strain to remove pits. In a food processor,

Ingredients:

- 500 mL (2 cups) sugar
- 125 mL (½ cup) softened butter
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 75 mL (⅓ cup) sour cream
- 250 mL (1 cup) milk
- 750 mL (3 cups) all-purpose flour
- 10 mL (2 tsp) baking powder
- Juice and rind of 1 lemon
- Chocolate vermicelli

For Lemon Coffee Icing:

- Juice of 1 lemon
- 30 mL (2 tbsp) strong coffee
- 50 mL (¼ cup) softened butter
- 500 mL (2 cups) icing sugar

cream lemon juice, coffee, butter and half the sugar. Whip in remaining sugar until mixture is thick and creamy. Spread cake with icing. Chill 2 hours before serving.

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Drink of the week



Classic Irish Coffee

- 90 mL (3 oz) 35% whipping cream
- 500 mL (16 oz) hot coffee
- 8 white sugar cubes
- 125 mL (4 oz) Tullamore Dew Irish Whiskey

Pour cream into a blender and blend to slightly thickened cream; set blender jar on ice. Place 2 white sugar cubes in the bottom of each Irish coffee glass or goblet. Pour 125 mL (4 oz) hot coffee into each glass. Pour 30 mL (1 oz) whiskey into coffee. Pour cold cream over the back of a spoon on top of each drink where it will float. Makes 4 servings.

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TULLAMORE DEW IRISH WHISKEY

MAY OLD WORK BLUNDERS BE FORGOT

► 2011 saw many workers lose their cases by way of self-sabotage ► Take in these tips for a successful 2012

WORKPLACE LAW

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2011 was the year of the employer as this column was replete with examples of employees wrecking their own cases, often through ignorance of the law, indifference, or worse, poor advice.

In light of these multiple failures, here is an offering of my top dos and don'ts for employees in 2012.

Document disputes

Written documents do not lie. People do. If you find yourself in a workplace dispute, take steps to document and then preserve your version of the events. Most court cases are resolved based on credibility so do not leave yours to memory.

Employment contracts

The single biggest problem in workplace law is that employees quickly sign contracts that reduce or eliminate their legal rights. Courts uphold these agreements even if they are one-sided, so avoid signing them or at least negotiate on the more unfavourable terms.

Off-duty conduct

Many employees believe that off-duty conduct cannot justify discipline. They are mistaken. Off-duty conduct that, in one way or another, demonstrates a revelation of poor character or is injurious to an employer's interests can result in dismissal. Similarly blog postings, social networking and emailing among coworkers are likely being monitored. Be careful what you write, otherwise it may follow you back to your desk.

Policy manuals

These documents are neglected by employees, often to their detriment. There were a number of court cases in 2011 that were ultimately decided in favour

of employers on the basis of obscure language in their policy manuals, without any regard to what was otherwise fair. Read your policy manuals carefully.

Challenge workplace changes

An employer cannot unilaterally change any important working conditions without your consent. Many try to anyway. If you do not approve of the change, then you must protest it. By doing nothing, you will be deemed to agree.

Don't tolerate abuse:

2011 saw many high-profile harassment cases played out in the media and the courts. While judges may have previously been unsympathetic or reluctant to become involved in harassment claims, this is no longer the case. Employees with legitimate grievances should not remain 'in the closet' with their claims.

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"I'm working hard to pick up the language as much as I can and as quickly as I can."

INTERIM CANADIENS COACH RANDY CUNNEYWORTH, WHO SAID TUESDAY HE IS WORKING ON LEARNING FRENCH AND HOPES THAT SIGNIFICANT STRIDES WILL BE MADE BY THE TIME THE DECISION IS MADE ON WHO WILL BE BEHIND THE BENCH NEXT SEASON. OWNER GEOFF MOLSON AND GENERAL MANAGER PIERRE GAUTHIER HAVE PROMISED THEY WILL HAVE A COACH WHO CAN SPEAK FRENCH IN PLACE FOR THE 2012-13 CAMPAIGN.



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Flames. Defeat



► Capitals captain Alex Ovechkin collides with Jay Bouwmeester on Tuesday night in Washington.

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Flames can't derail Capitals' hot start to the new year

Alex Ovechkin and Troy Brouwer scored power-play goals, Nicklas Backstrom had three assists, and the Washington Capitals kept rolling in the new year with their fourth straight win, beating the Calgary Flames 3-1 Tuesday night. Dennis Wideman also scored, and Tomas Vokoun made 18 saves for the Capitals. Curtis Glen-cross had the lone goal for the Flames, who have dropped four straight with one game left on a seven-game trip. Miikka Kiprusoff made 18 saves, and Jarome Iginla remained one goal shy of becoming the 42nd NHL player to score 500.

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Don't call it a comeback

► After falling behind 6-1 in semifinal, Canada pulls within a goal, but Russia hangs on

Canada will not play for gold at the world junior hockey championship for the first time in more than a decade.

The host country lost 6-5 to Russia in Tuesday's semifinal, despite a four-goal burst in the third period.

Russia will meet Sweden for gold, while Canada faces Finland for bronze Thursday.

The defending-champion Russians scored five times in the third period to beat Canada 5-3 in last year's final in Buffalo, N.Y. Russia now has a chance at winning its first back-to-back titles since 2002 and 2003.

Russian captain Evgeni Kuznetsov, the lone returning player from last year's

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squad, was a one-man wrecking crew with three goals and an assist.

Defencemen Nikita Nesterov and Alexander Khokhlachev and forward Nikita Kucherov also scored for the Russians. Nail Yakupov, who plays for the Ontario Hockey League's Sarnia Sting, had three assists.

Brett Connolly replied for Canada early in the second period. Trailing 6-1 in



► Canadian players react after losing to Russia.

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the third, Dougie Hamilton, Jaden Schwartz, Brendan Gallagher and Brandon Gormley all scored for Canada in just under a five-minute span starting at 9:27.

Canada outshot Russia 56-24, but didn't bury enough chances early in the game.

Andrei Vasilevski stopped 44 of 49 shots, but was replaced by Andrei

Makarov after Gormley's goal at 4:17. Makarov stopped all seven shots he faced.

Canada pressed for the equalizer, but couldn't get it. Ryan Strome hit the post and Connolly had a chance at his rebound with less than a minute remaining.

Canada's starting goaltender Scott Wedgewood allowed four goals on 14 shots. He left the game at 8:48 of the second period when Khokhlachev crashed into the net on Kuznetsov's third goal. Mark Visentin replaced him, stopping eight of 10 shots.

Canada played in the final every year from 2002 to 2011 with a 5-5 record.

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NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-NY Rangers	37	24	9	1	3	110	79	52	11-5-0-2	13-6-1-1	7-3-0-0	W2
d-Boston	35	24	10	0	1	123	68	49	13-6-0-1	11-4-0-0	7-3-0-0	L1
d-Florida	39	20	12	3	4	103	107	47	10-4-1-4	10-8-2-0	4-4-1-1	W1
Philadelphia	37	22	11	2	2	125	109	48	8-6-1-1	14-5-1-1	5-4-0-1	L1
Pittsburgh	38	21	13	2	2	121	100	46	11-5-2-0	10-8-0-2	5-5-0-0	L2
Ottawa	40	20	15	3	2	123	135	45	12-8-0-1	8-7-3-1	7-3-0-0	W3
New Jersey	38	21	15	1	1	105	108	44	10-6-0-1	11-9-1-0	7-2-1-0	L1
Washington	38	21	15	0	2	114	110	44	14-5-0-1	7-10-0-1	6-3-0-1	W4
Winnipeg	38	19	14	3	2	104	107	43	14-6-0-1	5-8-3-1	6-3-0-1	W3
Toronto	39	19	15	3	2	125	128	43	9-5-2-2	10-10-1-0	4-4-2-0	W1
Buffalo	39	18	17	2	2	104	115	40	10-9-2-2	8-8-0-0	3-5-1-1	W1
Tampa Bay	38	17	18	1	2	107	129	37	11-5-0-0	6-13-1-2	4-5-1-0	L1
Montreal	39	14	18	2	5	99	110	35	5-7-2-4	9-11-0-1	3-7-0-0	L2
NY Islanders	37	14	17	4	2	88	116	34	8-9-3-0	6-8-1-2	5-5-0-0	W3
Carolina	41	13	21	4	3	106	139	33	9-10-0-3	4-11-4-0	4-3-2-1	L2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Chicago	39	24	11	1	3	128	111	52	14-4-0-1	10-7-1-0	7-3-0-0	L1
d-Vancouver	40	24	13	0	3	131	99	51	11-9-0-2	13-8-0-1	6-3-0-1	L2
d-Los Angeles	40	19	14	3	4	87	92	45	11-9-0-2	8-5-3-2	6-1-1-2	L1
Detroit	39	25	13	1	0	128	88	51	15-2-1-0	10-11-0-0	6-4-0-0	W2
St. Louis	39	22	12	0	5	99	86	49	15-0-0-2	7-9-0-3	5-3-0-2	W1
Minnesota	40	21	13	2	4	95	95	48	11-6-1-2	10-7-1-2	1-6-0-3	L1
Nashville	39	21	14	3	1	105	108	46	11-6-1-2	10-8-1-0	7-3-0-0	W3
Colorado	41	22	18	1	0	110	116	45	13-10-0-0	9-8-1-0	8-2-0-0	W3
San Jose	35	20	11	3	1	102	85	44	12-7-2-0	8-4-1-1	5-2-2-1	W1
Dallas	38	21	16	0	1	104	112	43	12-7-0-1	9-9-0-0	5-5-0-0	L1
Phoenix	40	19	17	2	2	103	107	42	7-8-2-1	12-9-0-1	4-5-1-0	L1
Calgary	41	18	18	3	2	100	114	41	10-5-1-1	8-13-2-1	4-4-1-1	L1
Edmonton	39	16	20	0	3	107	111	35	10-6-0-2	6-14-0-1	2-8-0-0	L4
Anaheim	37	10	21	2	4	87	124	26	7-11-1-0	3-10-1-4	2-7-0-1	L2
Columbus	38	10	23	1	4	93	128	25	6-11-1-2	4-12-0-2	2-7-0-1	L1

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results

Toronto 7 Tampa Bay 3
Washington 3 Calgary 1
Buffalo 4 Edmonton 3
Detroit 5 Dallas 4
N.Y. Islanders 4 Carolina 3 (SO)
St. Louis 4 Phoenix 1
Monday's results
Edmonton 4 Chicago 3
Ottawa 3 New Jersey 2 (OT)
San Jose 3 Vancouver 2 (SO)
Colorado 2 Los Angeles 1 (SO)
NHL WINTER CLASSIC
At Philadelphia
N.Y. Rangers 3 Philadelphia 2
Tonight's games
All Times Eastern
Winnipeg at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.

Minnesota at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
San Jose at Anaheim, 10 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
Calgary at Boston, 7 p.m.
Winnipeg at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Florida at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Edmonton at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Nashville, 8 p.m.
Phoenix at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Columbus at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
Friday's games
Florida at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at Carolina, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

MAPLE LEAFS 7, LIGHTNING 3

First Period
1. Tampa Bay, Lecavalier 14 (Wyman, Moore) 0:58
2. Toronto, Lupul 18 (Connolly, Gardner) 3:25
3. Toronto, Gunnarsson 2 (Connolly, Lupul) 8:46
Penalties — Bergeron TB (holding) 1:15;
Downie TB (double roughing), Phaneuf Tor (roughing) 11:58, Franson Tor (boarding)
14:40, Schenn Tor (roughing) 17:20, Connolly Tor (elbowing) 18:35.
Second Period
4. Tampa Bay, Stamkos 27 (St. Louis) 11:55
5. Toronto, Grabovski 11 (Lupul, Schenn) 12:28
6. Tampa Bay, Kubina 3 (Brewer) 13:26
7. Toronto, Boyce 1 (Frattin, Aulie) 13:43
8. Toronto, Frattin 5 (Kadri, Lombardi) 19:22
Penalties — Toronto bench (too many men;

served by Frattin) 6:34, Downie TB (unsportsmanlike conduct, double roughing, misconduct), Aulie Tor (roughing), Boyce Tor (roughing, misconduct) 13:59.
Third Period
9. Toronto, Phaneuf 6 (Grabovski, MacArthur) 1:23 (pp)
10. Toronto Kessel 22 (Lupul, Phaneuf) 12:28 (pp)
Penalties — Purcell TB (interference) 0:56, Gustavsson Tor (tripping) 6:35, Kubina TB (holding) 11:32, Hall TB (roughing) 12:04, Thompson TB, Schenn Tor (fighting) 16:32.
Shots
Tampa Bay 11 7 6 24
Toronto 13 16 13 42
Goal (shots-saves) — Tampa Bay: Garon (W,11-10-2)(21-17), Roloson (13:43 second; 21-18); Toronto: Gustavsson (W,10-7-0).

Power plays (goals-chances) — Tampa Bay: 0-5; Toronto: 3-7.
Referees — Dan O'Halloran, Chris Lee. **Linesmen** — Brad Kovachik, Mark Shewchuk.
Attendance — 19,425 (18,819) at Toronto.

SABRES 4, OILERS 3

First Period
1. Edmonton, Hall 12 (Hemsky, Gagner) 10:33
2. Buffalo, Pominville 13 (Hecht, McNabb) 14:23
Penalty — Weber Buf (tripping) 5:26.
Second Period
3. Buffalo, Leopold 7 (Stafford, McNabb) 5:10
4. Edmonton, Gagner 5 (Petry, Hemsky) 9:24 (pp)
Penalties — Hemsky Edm (goaltender interference) 5:34, Kaleta Buf (charging) 8:04, Buffalo bench (too many men; served by Gerbe) 9:10.
Third Period
5. Buffalo, Stafford 7 (Gerbe, D.Roy) 14:34
6. Buffalo, Gerbe 4 (Stafford) 16:38
7. Edmonton, Potter 3 (Eberle, Lander) 18:10
Penalty — Peckham Edm (holding) 10:54.
Shots
Edmonton 14 5 7 26
Buffalo 8 12 13 33

Goal — Edmonton: Khabibulin (L,11-11-3); Buffalo: Miller (W,10-10-2). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Edmonton: 1-3; Buffalo: 0-2.
Referees — Don Van Massenhoven, Kevin Pollock.
Linesmen — David Brisebois, Anthony Sericolo.
Attendance — 18,690 (18,690) at Buffalo, N.Y.
CAPITALS 3, FLAMES 1

First Period
1. Washington, Ovechkin 17 (Johansson, Backstrom) 1:11 (pp)
Penalty — R.Bourque Cal (holding) 0:36.
Second Period
2. Washington, Brouwer 11 (Ovechkin, Backstrom) 8:49 (pp)
3. Calgary, Glenross 16 (Iginla, Brodie) 13:51
4. Washington, Wideman 7 (Backstrom, Johansson) 17:01
Penalties — Green Wash (holding) 2:36, Butler Cal (holding) 8:29.
Third Period
No Scoring.
Penalties — R.Bourque Cal (elbowing) 10:06, Knuble Wash (slashing) 12:20, Green Wash (interference) 15:39, Knuble Wash (delay of game) 19:10.
Shots
Calgary 4 8 7 19
Washington 8 9 4 21
Goal — Calgary: Kiprusoff (L,17-14-2); Washington: Volkoun (W,16-8-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Calgary: 0-4; Washington: 2-3.
Referees — Kelly Sutherland, Ian Walsh.
Linesmen — Scott Cherrey, Pierre Racicot.
Attendance — 18,506 (18,398) at Washington.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Giroux, Pha	18	28	46
H.Sedin, Vcr	10	36	46
Kessel, Tor	22	23	45
Stamkos, TB	27	17	44
Lupul, Tor	18	26	44
D.Sedin, Vcr	17	27	44
Malkin, Pgh	15	28	43
Eberle, Edm	16	26	42
Backstrom, Wash	13	29	42
Hossa, Chi	17	24	41
Spezza, Ott	14	26	40
Pominville, Buf	13	27	40
Datsyuk, Det	12	28	40
Toews, Chi	22	17	39
Vanek, Buf	18	21	39
Sharp, Chi	19	19	38
Versteeg, Fla	17	21	38

HOCKEY

2012 WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

All Times Eastern
CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET
At Calgary
Yesterday's results
SEMIFINALS
Sweden 3 Finland 2 (SO)
Russia 6 Canada 5
Monday's results
QUARTER-FINALS
Finland 8 Slovakia 5
Russia 2 Czech Republic 1 (OT)
Tonight's game
FIFTH PLACE
Czech Republic vs. Slovakia, 9 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
BRONZE MEDAL
Finland vs. Canada, 3:30 p.m.
GOLD MEDAL
Sweden vs. Russia, 8 p.m.
RELEGATION BRACKET
Yesterday's result
U.S. 12 Latvia 2
Monday's result
Switzerland 4 Denmark 3 (OT)
Today's games
Latvia vs. Denmark, 1 p.m.
Switzerland vs. U.S., 5 p.m.

2012 WORLD U-17 CHALLENGE

At sites in Southwestern Ontario
PLAYOFFS
Yesterday's results
At Windsor, Ont.
SEMIFINALS
U.S. 2 Sweden 1 (SO)
Russia 4 Ontario 3 (OT)
At Tecumseh, Ont.
SEVENTH PLACE
Atlantic 4 Czech Republic 2
At LaSalle, Ont.
NINTH PLACE
Germany 6 West 3
FIFTH PLACE
Pacific 5 Quebec 4 (OT)
Today's games
At Windsor, Ont.
THIRD PLACE
Sweden vs. Ontario, 2 p.m.
CHAMPIONSHIP
Russia vs. U.S., 7 p.m.

2012 WORLD WOMEN'S U-18 CHAMPIONSHIP

At Prerov and Zlin, Czech Republic
Yesterday's results
At Prerov, Czech Republic
Canada 7 Finland 0
Germany 6 Switzerland 1
At Zlin, Czech Republic
Sweden 6 Russia 2
U.S. 13 Czech Republic 1
Today's games
At Zlin, Czech Republic
QUARTER-FINALS
Sweden vs. Finland, 9 a.m.
Czech Republic vs. Germany, 1 p.m.

FOOTBALL

NCAA BOWL GLANCE

All Times Eastern
Last night's result
SUGAR BOWL
At New Orleans
Michigan 23 Virginia Tech 20 (OT)
Monday's results
TICKETCITY BOWL
At Dallas
Houston 30 Penn State 14
CAPITAL ONE BOWL
At Orlando, Fla.
South Carolina 30 Nebraska 13
OUTBACK BOWL
At Tampa, Fla.
Michigan State 33 Georgia 30 (3OT)
GATOR BOWL
At Jacksonville, Fla.
Florida 24 Ohio State 17
ROSE BOWL
At Pasadena, Calif.
Oregon 45 Wisconsin 38
FIESTA BOWL
At Glendale, Ariz.
Oklahoma State 41 Stanford 38 (OT)
Tonight's game
ORANGE BOWL
At Miami
West Virginia (9-3) vs. Clemson (10-3), 8 p.m.
Friday's game
COTTON BOWL
At Arlington, Texas
Kansas State (10-2) vs. Arkansas (10-2), 8 p.m.
Saturday's game
BBVA COMPASS BOWL
At Birmingham, Ala.
Pittsburgh (6-6) vs. Southern Methodist (7-5), Noon
Sunday, Jan. 8
GODADDY.COM BOWL
At Mobile, Ala.
Arkansas State (10-2) vs. Northern Illinois (10-3), 9 p.m.
Monday, Jan. 9
BCS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
At New Orleans
Louisiana State (13-0) vs. Alabama (11-1), 8:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 21
EAST-WEST SHRINE CLASSIC
At St. Petersburg, Fla.
East vs. West, TBA
Saturday, Jan. 28
SENIOR BOWL
At Mobile, Ala.
North vs. South, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 4
TEXAS VS. NATION
At San Antonio, Texas
Texas vs. Nation, 2 p.m.

NFL

PLAYOFFS

All Times Eastern
WILD-CARD
Saturday's games
Cincinnati at Houston, 4:30 p.m.
Detroit at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 8
Atlanta at New York Giants, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Denver, 4:30 p.m.

NBA

Last night's results
Cleveland 115 Charlotte 101
Chicago 76 Atlanta 74
Portland 103 Oklahoma City 93
Memphis 113 Sacramento 96
Utah 85 Milwaukee 73
Houston at L.A. Lakers
Monday's results
Phoenix 102 Golden State 91
Boston 100 Washington 92
Indiana 108 New Jersey 94
Detroit 89 Orlando 78
Atlanta 100 Miami 92
Toronto 90 New York 85
Minnesota 106 San Antonio 96
Dallas 100 Oklahoma City 87
Denver 91 Milwaukee 86
Utah 94 New Orleans 90
Tonight's games
All Times Eastern
Cleveland at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Washington at Orlando, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Memphis at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Phoenix at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Denver, 9 p.m.
Houston at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
Miami at Atlanta, 8 p.m.
Dallas at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

SOCCER

ENGLAND

PREMIER LEAGUE

Team	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Manchester City	20	15	3	2	56	16	48
Manchester Utd	19	14	3	2	49	17	45
Tottenham	19	13	3	3	36	20	42
Chelsea	20	11	4	5	39	25	37
Arsenal	20	11	3	6	36	28	36
Liverpool	20	9	7	4	24	18	34
Newcastle	19	8	6	5	26	25	30
Stoke	20	8	5	7	22	31	29
Norwich	20	6	7	7	30	35	25
Sunderland	20	6	6	8	27	23	24
Everton	18	7	3	8	19	20	24
Swansea	20	5	8	7	20	23	23
Aston Villa	20	5	8	7	22	26	23
Fulham	20	5	8	7	22	26	23
West Brom	20	6	4	10	19	28	22
Wolverhampton	20	4	5	11	22	36	17
QPR	20	4	5	11	19	35	17
Wigan	20	3	6	11	18	41	15
Blackburn	20	3	5	12	29	43	14
Bolton	19	4	1	14	23	42	13

Yesterday's results
Manchester City 3 Liverpool 0
Tottenham 1 West Bromwich Albion 0
Wigan 1 Sunderland 4

SPAIN

COPA DEL RAY

FIFTH ROUND — FIRST LEG
(Home teams listed first)
Yesterday's results
Albacete 0 Athletic Bilbao 0
Alcorcon 2 Levante 1
Mirandes 2 Racing 0
Real Madrid 3 Malaga 2

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By comparison

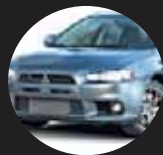
Subaru Impreza WRX STI

Base price: \$39,900
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Mitsubishi Evolution

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Lancer-based sedan closely matched with Subaru WRX STI.



Mini Cooper JCW

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M

The R comes with VW's 4Motion all-wheel-drive system. During ideal road/weather conditions, all of the R's power is directed to the front tires, however when they begin to slip, up to 100 per cent of the torque shifts to the rear wheels.

Obviously the R is a true driver's car and that means a firm-riding, body-roll-reducing suspension, added braking power and a businesslike interior with well-bolstered front seats (covered in leather), aluminum pedals and a leather-wrapped steering wheel.

Transmission

The R's sole transmission is a six-speed manual, which is somewhat surprising given that the German automaker already builds a faster-shifting state-of-the-art paddle-operated manual gearbox for use in other Golf models.

Still, VW claims that the stick-shift R will hit 100 km/h in less than six seconds, which is quick enough for most folks. Be advised, however, that the R takes premium fuel.

Engine

The engine is a turbocharged 2.0-litre four-cylinder generating 256 horsepower and 243 pound-feet of torque. By comparison, the GTI, now relegated to being the second sportiest Golf on the lot, also comes with a 2.0-litre turbo-four, but it's rated at 200 horsepower and 207 pound-feet of torque.

Credit for the R's extra spunk goes to the turbocharger system that delivers considerably more boost than the GTI's.



► These 18-inch wheels are unique to the Golf R while the ride height is a bit more than half an inch lower than that of the GTI.

Volkswagen's pumped up kicks



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When it comes to constructing the "hot-hatch" Golf R, Volkswagen certainly knows a thing "R" two.

The automaker is able to call up the requisite firepower and related performance content from its parts bins to build the kind of machine that will attract new fans to the brand that might otherwise end up at a Mitsubishi, Subaru or BMW/Mini store.

Volkswagen has been down the high-output road with the Golf before, specifically for the 2008 model year with the short-lived (and not for Canada) R32, with its 250-horsepower V-6 and all-wheel-drive. Now the automaker returns in early 2012 with yet another pumped-up Golf-based

model designed to thrill and delight the North American masses, or at least those who appreciate a tightly-proportioned vehicle that can haul like the dickens in every sense of the word.

For Canadian consumption, there's a total allocation of 500 R models and all are four-door hatchbacks.

Other cars might make more content available, from blind-spot warning systems to intuitive/active cruise control, but the Golf R is having none of it. It concentrates on enriching the driving experience through generous helpings of power without ballooning the price through indiscriminate applications of luxury fluff and superfluous safety gadgetry.

On that basis alone, the R is tough to beat.



► Fully decked out, the Golf cockpit is far from cheap looking.



► The R is a traditional hatchback with plenty of details such as these LED taillights.

VW Golf R



What you should know about the 2012 Volkswagen Golf R:

- **Types:** Four-door, all-wheel-drive compact hatchback.
- **Engine (hp):** 2.0-litre DOHC I4, turbocharged (256).
- **Transmission:** Six-speed manual.
- **Market position:** By its very nature, the Golf R will be a limited-production model designed to bring attention to the Golf line in general, and specifically to Volkswagen's expertise in creating high-performance automobiles.
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 12.0/8.5 (est.).

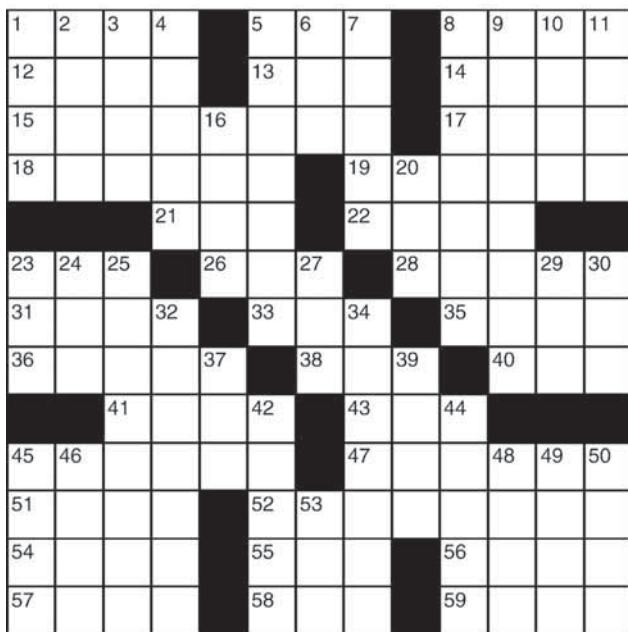
Crossword

Across

- 1 Gaucho's weapon
5 Apprehend
8 "Little Women" woman
12 Related (to)
13 Ostrich's cousin
14 La Scala solo
15 Back to zero, on "Wheel of Fortune"
17 Bantu language
18 Grommet
19 Small church
21 Listener
22 Warmth
23 Despondent
26 Water barrier
28 Place for a watch
31 Overly proper one
33 Fleur-de-
35 Unmatched
36 Supermarket section
38 Mimic
40 Big Apple abbr.
41 Freeway access
43 Blond shade
45 Fluffy dessert
47 Paycheck increases
51 Swiss mountains
52 All of a sudden
54 Ceremony
55 Bill and —
56 Agony
57 Throw
58 "In what way?"
59 Curved molding

Down

- 1 Movie about a pig
2 Fine
3 Fragment of dialogue
4 Monitor location,



maybe

- 5 On neither side
6 Pump up the volume
7 Sundance's pal
8 Charity events
9 Volcanic outbreak
10 Mah-jongg piece
11 Drag behind
16 Peruse
20 Chop
23 Hot tub
24 "Entourage" role
25 Causes chaos, maybe
27 Actress Farrow

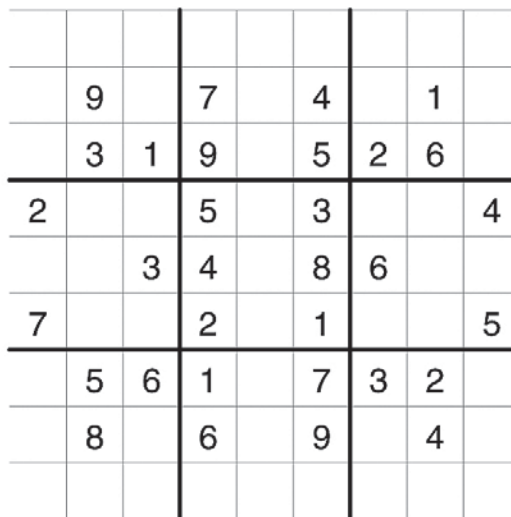
29 Crafty

- 30 Sleuth, slangily
32 Optician's product
34 Small songbird
37 Type measures
39 Birthright barterer
42 Clingstone, e.g.
44 Zoo favourite
45 Shopping centre
46 Medley
48 Unescorted
49 Author Wiesel
50 "Auld Lang —"
53 Halloween shout

► Yesterday's answer



Sudoku



How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ►

5	9	2	6	1	7	8	3	4
4	3	1	9	8	2	6	7	5
7	6	8	4	5	3	2	1	9
6	1	3	5	4	9	7	8	2
9	2	5	7	3	8	4	6	1
8	7	4	2	6	1	5	9	3
2	8	7	3	9	5	1	4	6
3	5	6	1	7	4	9	2	8
1	4	9	8	2	6	3	5	7

A look at the weather

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Min 1° Max 14°	Min 4° Max 6°	Min -8° Max 1°

Andrew Schultz, Meteorologist

"I get to spread the word on how your day, evening or weekend will shape up with our ever-changing weather here in Alberta". WEEKDAYS 5:30 A.M.



Today's horoscope

♈ **Aries** March 21-April 20 Why are you trying so hard to prove yourself? You should be comfortable with who you are and what you can do.

♉ **Taurus** April 21-May 21 It would appear there is something that you have missed, a small but important detail that has been overlooked.

♊ **Gemini** May 22-June 21 Can you believe what your inner voice tells you? Of course you can.

♋ **Cancer** June 22-July 22 You need to read between the lines today, then you are more likely to discover what the real issues are.

♌ **Leo** July 23-Aug. 23 Someone

you think you can trust will make what seems like a reasonable suggestion today, but if you act on what they say you may regret it.

♍ **Virgo** Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Honesty is a must today, especially when dealing with people in positions of authority.

♎ **Libra** Sept. 23-Oct. 23 You know what it is you want to be doing but you can't seem to make a start.

♏ **Scorpio** Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Whatever good ideas you have today and tomorrow you would be wise to keep them to yourself for the time being.

♐ **Sagittarius** Nov. 23-Dec.

For today's crossword answers and for expanded horoscopes, go to metronews.ca

♑ **Capricorn** Dec. 22-Jan. 20 If you stay cool and act rationally today you won't go far wrong.

♒ **Aquarius** Jan. 21-Feb. 18 The more outrageous your ideas today the better.

♓ **Pisces** Feb. 19-March 20. Your thoughts will be all over the place today, so hold off making any hard and fast decisions.

Loved ones may want what is best for you, but what if it does not coincide with what you want for yourself? Well then you'll have to get tough and tell them you'll be going your own way. And mean it. SALLY BROMPTON

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